

Israelis, he replies, "I'm not accusing anyone, I'll leave it up to the reader to decide."

But at the same time, he tells of the exchange of information taking place between Israelis and Palestinians on the military liaison committee, which he terms a success. And he himself has been taking part in joint anti-terror training at the sensitive Erez checkpoint and industrial zone at the Strip's northern border with Israel. The training isn't a formal part of the Oslo agreement. "The need just arose," says Ajez. "It's in our interest. We need to protect the Erez area, for the sake of our economy."

What's more, Palestinians argue, they are better positioned to police the Gaza Strip than the Israelis could ever have been. "We know our people," says Brig. Ajez. "From the first glance we can tell things about them that the Israelis can't. The Palestinian police have only been in Gaza for a matter of months. In another five or six months," he declares, "we'll control the whole area. We'll even know who is blinking and who is not."

Says another police source, who works in the southern half of the Strip: "Believe me, when we are on a case, we do a hundred times what the Israelis used to do. We arrest many more people, because we know who they are."

Musa's father Hisham stresses his abhorrence of terrorism. "I want you to explain in your magazine that we are completely against these attacks and are doing our best to stop them." But asked whether he'd have turned Musa in to the Israelis had they still been in control of Gaza, he replies, "Of course not, I'd have been a collaborator! I'd just have kept him at home myself. But

many people support the Palestinian Authority, like me, and will help for no money."

Musa has now been persuaded by his father, and an Islamic authority he went to for a second opinion, that it is un-Islamic to appoint the time of one's own death. Musa says he still wants to be a martyr, preferably dying for the cause, "but not in a suicide attack."

He expresses no remorse about the fact that he planned to kill as many Israeli bystanders as possible in the process, and says he still supports Hamas's religious and political program. Despite having been saved from the jaws of death, he says he is not angry at Hamas, "but I may argue with them now." At times a little sheepish in front of his father, he comes across as little more than a teen rebel, if a potentially murderous one. He's not too religious to shake a woman's hand, and when an electronic pager goes off in the room, he asks if it's a Gameboy.

When he grows up, Musa says, he wants to be a doctor. "To heal people?" this reporter asks, incredulous after hearing the tale of heaven and hell, of eternal life, death and destruction, "Yes," Musa replies quietly, "to heal people."●

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1995

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in recess until 9:30 a.m., Thursday, April 6; that following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to

date and the two leaders' time be reserved for their use later in the day; and that the Senate then immediately resume consideration of H.R. 1158.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECESS UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:11 p.m., recessed until Thursday, April 6, 1995, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate April 4, 1995:

THE JUDICIARY

NANCY FRIEDMAN ATLAS, OF TEXAS, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, VICE JAMES DEANDA, RETIRED.

JOHN GARVAN MURTHA, OF VERMONT, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERMONT, VICE FRANKLIN S. BILLINGS, JR., RETIRED.

GEORGE A. O'TOOLE, JR., OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS, VICE AN ADDITIONAL POSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 28 USC 133(B)(1).

LELAND M. SHURIN, OF MISSOURI, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI, VICE SCOTT O. WRIGHT, RETIRED.